Branford was first settled in mid-1644 as part of the New Haven Colony and officially renamed in 1653 after the Town of Brentford, England. The 20th century has brought some changes to Branford, but much of its historical heritage remains in the form of old buildings and well-preserved villages.

Listed here are many of the historic homes as well as important architectural landmarks of Branford’s rich history.

Those who visit Branford can take in a seasonal cruise (or private charter) to our majestic archipelago of islands called the Thimble Islands. Branford’s Center is home to several shops, restaurants and coffee houses that line the Main Street along with the historic Town Green being at the center.

Branford is proud of its history, quality of life and economic vitality. Visit today!

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About Branford

Historic & Cultural Attractions

19 Edward Frisbie House (c. 1750)
   699 East Main St., Branford.
   Historic site, private home

20 John Hoadley House (c. 1810)
   213 Leetes Island Rd., Branford.
   Historic site, private home

21 Hezekiah Palmer House (c. 1830)
   397 Leetes Island Rd., Branford.
   Historic site, private home

22 Edward Frisbie Homestead (c. 1790)
   240 Stony Creek Rd., Branford.
   Historic site, private home

23 Stony Creek Puppet House/Legacy Theatre (1903)
   128 Thimble Island Rd., Branford. 203-208-5504
   Historic site, theater

24 Willoughby Wallace Memorial Library (1958)
   146 Thimble Island Rd., Branford. 203-488-8702

25 Isaac C. Lewis Cottage (1882)
   255 Thimble Islands Rd., Branford.
   Historic site, private home

26 Stony Creek Historic District
   Area near Thimble Island Rd., Branford.
   Historic District, National Register of Historic Places

27 John Rogers House (c. 1810)
   690 Leetes Island Rd., Branford.
   Historic site, private home

28 Stony Creek Quarry (1858)
   99 Quarry Rd., Branford.
   Historic site

Farm Attractions

A Vaiuso Farms
   75 Hosley Ave., Branford. 203-488-1430
   Wholesale flower and vegetable plant supplier

B DJ King Sea Farmer/ Montowese Bay Oysters
   275 Linden Ave., Branford. 203-488-6926
   Ocean Farm: kelp, lobster, conch, Montowese Bay oysters

C Soffer Egg Farm
   69 Damascus Rd., Branford. 203-488-3205
   Poultry farm and services, eggs

D Thimble Island Oyster Co.
   3 Indian Pt. Rd., Branford. 203-931-5912
   Ocean Farm: kelp, oysters, mussels, scallops

E Medlyn’s Farm
   710 Leetes Island Rd., Branford. 203-488-3578
   Vegetables, eggs, firewood

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Private Homes: Visitors must be aware that, whether designated by national, state, or municipal governments, landmarks and cultural history sites are often privately owned and are not open to the public.

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Harrison House
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1. **Canoe Brook Historic District**
   26 Cherry Hill Rd., Branford.
   Historic District, National Register of Historic Places

2. **Harrison House, Branford Historical Society** (1724)
   124 Main St., Branford. 203-488-4828
   Historic site, museum, seasonal hours, or by appointment

3. **Thomas Harrison House** (c. 1725)
   23 North Harbor St., Branford.
   Historic site, private home

4. **Timothy Bradley House** (c. 1730)
   12 Bradley St., Branford.
   Historic site, private home

5. **Branford Center Historical District**
   Roughly bounded by Route 1, the Branford River, and Monroe and Kirkham Sts.
   Historic District, National Register of Historic Places

6. **Branford Point Historic District**
   4 Harbor St., Branford.
   Historic District, National Register of Historic Places

7. **James Blackstone Memorial Library** (1896)
   758 Main St., Branford. 203-488-1441

8. **William J. Clark House** (1880)
   34 Prospect Hill, Branford.
   Historic site, private home

9. **Branford Town Hall** (1857)
   1019 Main St., Branford. 203-488-8394
   National Register of Historic Places

10. **Branford Art Center**
    1229 Main St., Branford. 203-208-4455
    Art & Cultural Center

11. **Samuel Beach House** (c. 1790)
    94 East Main St., Branford.
    Historic site, private home

12. **John Tyler House** (c. 1710)
    250 East Main St., Branford.
    Historic site, private home

13. **Zaccheus Baldwin House** (c. 1775)
    154 Damascus Rd., Branford.
    Historic site, private home

14. **Timothy Baldwin House** (c. 1819)
    186 Damascus Rd., Branford.
    Historic site, private home

15. **Orrin Hoadley House** (c. 1785)
    15 Sunset Hill Rd., Branford.
    Historic site, private home

16. **Blackstone House** (c. 1735)
    37 First Ave., Branford.
    Historic site, private home

17. **Pine Orchard Union Chapel** (1897)
    25 Chapel Dr., Branford. 203-912-8682
    Historic site, wedding chapel

18. **Isaac Hoadley House** (1757)
    9 Totoket Rd., Branford.
    Historic site, private home